

INDUSTRIAL LEGION

CIRCULAR NO. 1 FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

Full Instructions to Members of the Order—The Call for Militant Men—To Win the Battle We Must Be Well Organized.

The National Industrial Legion at its annual meeting, held with Reform Press association at Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 22, 1895, elected the following officers for two years:

Paul VanDervoort, commander, Omaha, Neb.
Frank Burket, vice commander, Okolona, Miss.
J. A. Edgerton, adjutant general, Lincoln, Neb.
Milton Park, quartermaster general, Dallas, Texas.
W. S. Morgan, sentinel, Hardy, Ark.

Executive Council.
Geo. F. Washburn, Boston, Mass.
Thomas V. Cator, San Francisco, Cal.

John W. Moakler, Denver, Colo.
Rev. J. D. Botkin, Eldorado, Kan.
Arthur Rozelle, Tarkio, Mo.

Headquarters will continue at Omaha for the present at 1110 South Thirty-second street, and all mail and applications for charter should be addressed to Paul VanDervoort.

The resolution adopted by the national committee at St. Louis, Dec. 29, provided that all political organizations should report to the legion headquarters.

That these organizations could be called Industrial legions, People's legions, or People's Party clubs or leagues, as seemed to be best adapted to the locality.

That charter fees should be reduced to 50 cents and each member urged to pay 10 cents per annum to national headquarters.

That clubs, leagues, alliances, and all farm and labor orders that wish a charter should send names of officers and members and 20 cents for postage and receive charter without change of officers or their titles.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Reform Press association at Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 22, 1895:

"Whereas, The National Reform Press association recognizes in Gen. Paul VanDervoort one of the most earnest, efficient and enthusiastic organizers of the reform forces in the country, and we believe that the comrades associated with him in the work are zealous Populists whose hearts are in this great work; therefore,

"Resolved, That the National Reform Press association endorse the Industrial legion, and pledges its hearty co-operation in the movement."

With this endorsement and the fact that the national committee made the legion and its executive committee has endorsed it three times and the full committee twice, there should be a union of reform forces all along the line into this compact political organization, and all other plans should be abandoned and discouraged by our press and people.

We have a constituency of five millions to draw from if all in sympathy with our party would come in, as we admit all over 14, of both sexes.

We invite all the state, county, city and town and I earnestly call on the noble women of our party to write me for instructions. They can raise enough money for 1895, and win thousands of voters to our cause.

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We will commission no one who will not work. The national committee has called on these committees five times "to organize the legion in every voting precinct in the land." I hope each member will respond to the call. We earnestly request all those holding commissions to act or return their commissions and have some one appointed who can.

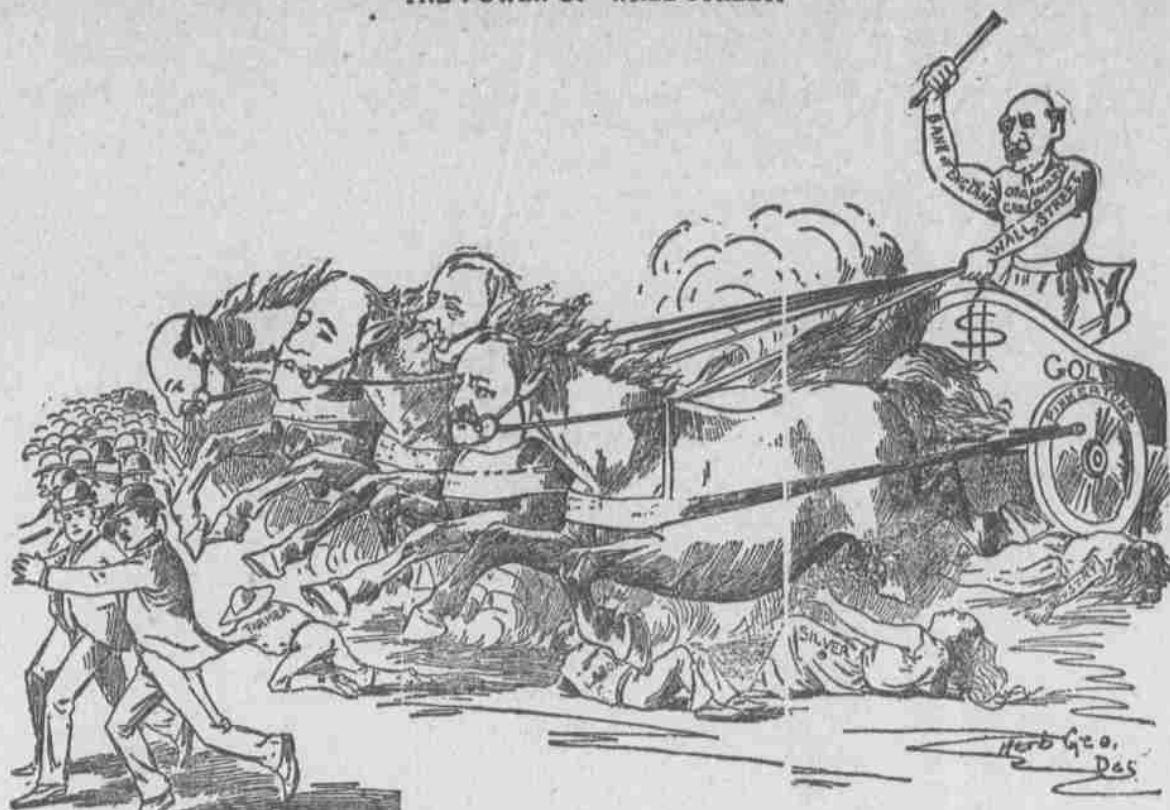
We urge the legion members to carefully study the rebate plan of raising money, in article 7, of constitution. It will do the work and raise abundant money for 1895 if even one hundred legions could operate it. The plan is now ready for operation. Prof. C. Vincent, Indianapolis, Ind., is special rebate organizer. Write him for particulars, enclosing stamp for reply.

If you want to organize legions quick send to me for the constitutions and instructions, and enclose ten cents in stamps.

If you want to be minute men, inspired with the spirit of 1776, meet in bands of not less than ten, elect a captain, adjutant and quartermaster, and send their names and the names of members, with 50 cents, and we will forward charter at once.

All the legions chartered in 1893 and 1894, nearly 1,000 in number are earnestly urged to send ten cents per member at once. Dues are not compulsory, but we depended on you and gave all our time free of charge, and put in over \$700 of our own money during the past two years. We can not do that again. A small sum from you would furnish ample funds. Ten cents from each member of the legion would give us means to organize ten thousand legions. We urge all the devoted, patriotic men and women who are able to contribute to send money at once to start this work. We have paid the bills long enough. The case rests with the people. If they want to win they must be organized. To accomplish that result money must be provided. It takes the services of a stenographer and a typewriter and one clerk all the time now. Members of my family have done this work without a dollar of compensation. We can not do it any longer. Our means were long ago exhausted.

THE POWER OF WALL STREET.



An Illustration of the Methods Which Have Reduced This Country to Wage Slavery.—Denver Road.

I have taken this load upon me again with the definite understanding that help will come. We should be able to organize the work so that I could be in the field all the time. When I served as commander of the Grand Army I filled 156 appointments in 38 states and territories, traveled over 40,000 miles and recruited 100,000 men and organized the Woman's Relief corps.

I am ready to do that work for humanity, for the People's Party, if means are provided. Not a day should be lost. The enemy are organized. We can array the grandest organization the world ever saw, for we believe that God is with us and will give his mighty help if we will arise from our slumber and fall into line from ocean to ocean. We can win the great strike for the people at the ballot box. Let everyone in line with the People's Party organize the moment they read this call.

We want especially the aid of the women and young people. We want glee clubs. Let the boys organize drum corps to lead the great processions that congregate at our meetings, and let those who lie afflicted on beds of pain on account of the burdens cast upon them, or are so poor they have no heart to work, pray for the deliverance of the people. Let no one be kept out of the legion on account of poverty. Legion buttons, a beautiful design, can be procured of George F. Washburn, lock box 3594, Boston, at 15 cents each.

PAUL VANDERVOORT, Commander.

The Silver Party.

The long looked for and threatened new silver party has at last made its debut. It comes out with a long manifesto that is intended to "state its case," and which is signed by about a dozen men among whom are Gen. A. J. Warner, president of the Bimetallic league, Senators Jones and Stewart of Nevada and perhaps a half dozen congressmen.

That this movement will amount to but little goes without saying. Such men as Bland, Bryan, Teller and Wolcott refuse to join it. This shows the insincerity of the men who have been heretofore regarded as the champions of silver. These men, when asked why they did not go with the Populists, the only free silver party in existence, replied that the Populists demanded too much in their platform—too many impractical things. Now when a party is organized on the basis of the very thing for which these same gentlemen have been fighting, they say it is a one idea party and refuse to join it.

The truth of the matter is that Bland, Bryan, Teller, Wolcott, and the whole outfit of men of their stripe are a set of blatant demagogues who have been, and are, doing the silver cause more harm than good. They keep up the agitation of the question because it is popular with their constituents and serves them a good point for reelection. They know that the fight is useless as long as made within the lines of their respective parties, and while they cut up, prance and caper around the "forks of the road," and the "parting of her ways," they are very careful not to take the only path that leads to the restoration of silver. By remaining in their parties they prevent others from leaving—enough to swell the ranks of a real silver party to proportions that would insure the rehabilitation of the white metal. They belong to that class of which it is said they "neither go in themselves, neither suffer they them that are entering to go in."

There was too much of the Populist platform.

There is not enough of the new silver party platform.

So say these self righteous pharisees.

They belong to that class of whom Christ said: "For John came neither eating or drinking, and they say, he hath a devil. The son of man came eating and drinking, and they say: Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners."

The trouble with Bland, Teller and the outfit of that stripe is weak backbones and uncontrollable desire for office.

Instead of being statesmen they are demagogues. Instead of leading the masses out of the wilderness of bondage, they betray them into the hands of their enemies, while they dance the death dance around "parting of the ways," and give their support to gold bug parties.

DECLARE YOURSELF.

PEOPLE ARE DISCOVERING PERVERSIONS OF WEALTH.

The Time Has Come for the Common People to Declare Themselves Independent of the Money Power and European Domination.

When in the course of plutocratic despotism it becomes necessary for the oppressed to wipe out the oppressor and assume the social freedom and prosperity to which the production of wealth and progress entitle the people it is but fair warning that they notify the enemy of their demands and give it a chance to yield peaceably, if possible.

We still hold these truths self evident: "That all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers only from the consent of the governed. That whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and to institute new government," laying its foundation upon such new and old principles as experience proves good or as, measured by the principle of justice to all concerned, seem best.

Conservatism is a good thing, but when it degenerates into mere formal cowardice, ignorance and dead hero worship, without consideration of the future or feeling for present conditions, then outraged and suffering humanity demands a hearing, and must be heard, whether it speaks through the press, from the platform, the pulpit, the doorstep or the street corner.

When the despotism of usury and a usurping money power turns the useful toiling masses into mere slaves for its own greedy gratification, then justice, humanity and loyalty to man and God, commands the people to throw off the yoke and create new laws guaranteeing equal rights to all and special privileges to none.

The history of plutocracy is a blood curdling revelation of bribery, corruption and blatant deception ending with a chapter of open defiance, heartless oppression, starvation and murder.

It has prevented the passage of laws most wholesome and necessary for the common good.

It has delayed laws of pressing importance to speculate in the products of labor.

It has purchased representatives of the people to prevent the passage of laws for the benefit of the masses.

It has made it an object for judges and lawyers to work for fees only.

It has created a multitude of useless high salaried offices.

It has in time of peace caused the shooting down of starving men, who asked for bread.

It has forced the calling of congress in special session to demonetize silver and double the debts of the people.

It has manipulated the land laws, and stolen enough land to support ten million people in honest industry.

It has prevented the administration of justice by controlling the judiciary power.

It has made Pinkerton thugs independent of civil power.

It has combined with the English money power to force the American people into debt and steal the products of their labor through usury.

It is building huge fortresses, organizing rich men's sons into military companies, demanding an increase of the army and navy and the building of battle ships, torpedo boats and other equipments of war for use against the people of our own government.

It wants to train up our boys to be soldiers instead of useful citizens.

It protects by mock trial lecherous rich men who ought to be imprisoned for life.

It taxes poor Americans to protect rich manufacturers who spend their money in Europe.

It appoints receivers to build up swindling corporations, and sends poor men to jail for debt.

It discourages independent thought and free speech.

It imposes taxes on labor to support idleness.

It defies the constitution, laws and government by the people.

It wants to abolish government money and institute bank money.

It has murdered our sons, prostituted our daughters, stolen our homes and starved our fathers and mothers.

It is at this time planning to force the issue of more bonds to further enslave the people, and trying to force the establishment of a banking system ten times worse than the present one.

It has maintained partisan delusion and enmity among the people to keep them from discovering the real enemy.

The people have petitioned, changed parties, worked, hoped, prayed and have been disappointed, injured, insulted and oppressed until they are growing desperately in earnest.

We have been proud of the wealth of our country, and pointed to our rich men as examples of the prosperity of America.

But we are at last discovering the perversion of wealth. We have seen signs of the coming climax for some time, and have warned them to go slow.

We have appealed to their patriotism and love of American equality and brotherhood. They have laughed at our "calamity howling" until their own laughter is echoed back in a shriek of enraged humanity driven back to its animal nature by being hunted as wild animals.

We must in self defense, hold them as we hold the rest of mankind—enemies as usurpers; as brothers, friends.

We, therefore, the laborers of America, appealing to God and reason for the rectitude of our intentions, do publish and declare that the common people are, or ought to be, absolved from all fear of the money power, and that they propose to take the government in their own hands; issue money, promote peace, control transportation and the transmission of intelligence, establish justice, provide homes for the homeless, and do all such acts as the people by vote shall direct.

More Gall.

The Pacific railroads now come forward with the proposition to pay the principal of their debt if the government will knock off the interest.

In view of the fact that the interest, which has been paid by the government for thirty years, amounts to \$40,000,000, while the principal is about \$37,000,000, this is another example of pure, unadulterated gall for which the corporations are distinguished. We have no doubt that this proposition will be about the basis of settlement between the government and the Pacific railroads.

This will place the government in the position of having donated enough land to the companies to build the roads and then giving the projectors and owners a bonus of \$40,000,000 to run them. Of course all sorts of excuses will be urged for taking this action. It will be said that the company is not able to pay, and it is better to take a half loaf than none at all. But in spite of all these excuses the fact remains that Huntington, Stanford, Crocker and others who composed the company have grown immensely rich. If the "company" is not able to pay, why not compel the men who compose the "company" to pay? If the road had been properly managed, it could have paid out long ago; or at least have paid the interest on its bonds.

Now the government, after donating the most princely land grants in the history of the world, is asked to contribute another small donation of \$40,000,000 in cash.

Of course there is no paternalism about this! It is just a "private affair" with which the government has no right to meddle. Gentlemen, take your own medicine. If you are opposed to paternalism, don't ask the government to pay your debts. Give back the land which the government donated to you.

Paternalism is dangerous! It is unconstitutional! Shut up, or admit that you are only opposed to paternalism when it applies to the people and not to you.

Democrats in the west and south agree that they don't want any more presidents from New York, but then that has always been the cry before the nominating convention.

The republicans made the law and the democrats issued the bonds. Both old parties are in favor of the gold standard—less money and more misery.

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THE WHEEL.

Waller, the long distance rider, is now training for an attempt to lower the outdoor twenty-four hour record. He already holds the indoor record.

It is said that the mother of Frank G. Lenz, the missing world-girdler, will receive \$10,000 insurance when the fact of her son's death is established.

Harry Tyler will have a motor cycle with a wind shield for his pace making next year.

Charley Earl, the Long Island champion, will likely be placed in the class B ranks.

In the German army 1,400 bicycles are employed and 530 more have just been ordered.

It is stated that E. C. Bald, the Buffalo class B racer, will receive \$2,500 to race this year.

Sims, the prominent class B racer of Washington, will ride on the Columbia team this year.

VARIOUS ENTERPRISES.

Uncle Sam has 69,403 post-offices.

America exports \$972,861,378 worth of goods and imports \$46,736,293, according to latest figures.

There is a tree in Nevada so luminous from exuding phosphorescent matter that one can read by its light.

Beanregard Wilson, who lives near Yazoo City, Miss., raised 300 bales of cotton last year, and though he sold it at five cents a pound, he cleared \$3,950.

A German has invented a small house capable of holding four or five persons to be used in diving and working in sunken ships or valuable wreckage of other character.

The copper production of the world last year was 330,500 tons, and with the increasing use of electricity there is a possibility of an almost unlimited increase in the demand for it.

E. J. Frasier, the real estate man of Eugene, Oregon, has been arrested for criminal libel for advertising, after a change in partnership, that he had got "rid of that pernicious, foreign, anarchistic element with which we have unfortunately been associated." The alleged pernicious element objects to the language.

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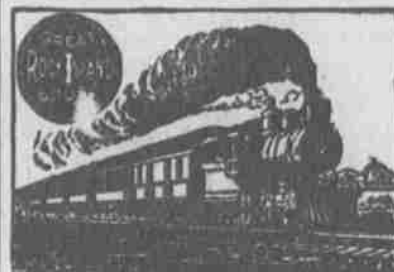
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